House Resolution No. 1927

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding group of young athletes who have enjoyed considerable success through steadfast commitment to the highest standards of excellence; and

Whereas, the members of the Jackson High School Girls Basketball Team in Jackson, Missouri, recently distinguished themselves by taking Third Place at the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) Class 5A State Basketball Championship held at the Hearnes Center in Columbia; and

Whereas, the Lady Indians claimed victory at both the District and Sectional Championships following exciting, hard-fought games that were highlighted by the team's ability to overcome their opponent with the incredible skill and talent for which they are known; and

Whereas, the Lady Indians finished their 2002-2003 season with an impressive record of 22 wins and 9 losses; and

Whereas, the Lady Indians could not have attained such phenomenal success this season without the unparalleled leadership provided by Head Coach Ron Cook, who has led the team to seven state tournaments and attained an outstanding overall record of 446 wins and 143 losses during his career at Jackson High School, which he culminated following the end of the 2002-2003 basketball season; and

Whereas, few young women possess the athletic skill and ability of Lady Indians Whitney Werner, Kristen Howard, Jenna Leet, Jessie Koeper, Jennifer Ferrell, Ashley Bartels, Kate Loos, Cortney Stanfield, Linden Hahs, Danielle King, Maria Oehl, Abby Weinrich, Jamie Goodpasture, Kelly Loos, Bobbie Jones, Kylie Werner, Lucy Hartmann, and Loni Littlepage; and

Whereas, fellow students, teachers, and staff at Jackson High School, parents, and the entire community of Jackson are exceedingly proud of the Lady Indians for their impressive display of teamwork and unwavering unanimity while successfully aspiring towards incredible goals:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to the members of the 2002-2003 Jackson High School Girls Basketball Team for taking Third Place at the MSHSAA Class 5A State Basketball Championship, and in wishing them continued success both on and off the court; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Jackson High School in Jackson, Missouri.

Offered by _______ Representative Scott A. Lipke District No. 157

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1927, adopted April 15, 2003.